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St. John's Episcopal Church  
Montgomery, Ala.  
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ST. JOHNS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama.

Ownership:

Present Owner: The congregation of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church has owned the building from the date it was erected to the present time.

Date of Erection: 1869. 1854-55

Architect: Unknown. Wills and Dudley

Builder: Unknown. B. F. Randolph

Present Condition: In 1869 the church was enlarged thirty-two feet. In 1906 the Chancel of the church was enlarged and the Sunday School was remodeled. The present condition of the church is good.

Number of Stories: One story with a balcony in the rear.

Materials of Construction: The foundations of the church are of brick; floors are of pine; the exterior walls are stucco over brick; the interior walls are of plaster; slate roof.

Other Existing Records: A pen and ink drawing of the church was made by Walter Harrison. The original is in his possession.

A pen and ink drawing by Frank Spangler is framed and hangs in the Church.

An oil painting of the church corner was painted by Kelly Fitzpatrick.

Various photographs have appeared in newspapers and magazines, the negatives of which are owned by the local photographers.

Additional Data: Jefferson Davis attended the services of this church during his stay in Montgomery. On September 29, 1918 a bronze tablet was placed to mark the pew occupied by Jefferson Davis. The dedication address was made by John Trotwood Moore.

"St. John's Episcopal Church is an unusual example of the early architectural work of this section because it is one of the few buildings which was built in the Gothic style. The building is of brick stuccoed, marked off to imitate stone. The mass of the building as a whole with the high tower is most pleasing. The exterior and the interior details show a surprising knowledge of Gothic detail and construction. The tower in the center of the facade has the main entrance in its base, following the precedent of the English village church rather than the more pretentious French or English cathedral Gothic. In my opinion it is one of the nicest examples of design now remaining from this period. (Lutz).

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